

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of ) **MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**  
Dietmar LERCHE et al. )  
Application No.: 10/591,701 ) Group Art Unit: 2857  
Filed: July 9, 2007 ) Examiner: Mischita L. HENSON  
For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE ) Confirmation No.: 2957  
CHARACTERIZATION OF )  
MULTIPLE SAMPLES OF ONE OR )  
VARIOUS DISPERSIONS )

**REPLY AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action (non-final rejection) issued on October 17, 2011, Applicants submit the following remarks.